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		First Inventor or Application Identifier	Frederic D. Fox
		Title	System, Method and Computer Program Product for Short Range Weather Adapted, Business Forecasting
		Express Mail Label No.	

APPLICATION ELEMENTS <i>See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.</i>		ADDRESS TO:	Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box Patent Application Washington, DC 20231
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- Descriptive title of the Invention
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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
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Box Patent Application

Re: U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)
Appl. No. To be assigned; Filed: September 6, 2000
(CIP of Ser. No. 09/907,714, filed June 16, 1998, which is a continuation of Ser. No. 08/588,248, filed January 18, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,832,456)
For: **System, Method and Computer Program Product for Short-Range Weather Adapted, Business Forecasting**

Inventors: Frederic D. Fox, Steven A. Beck, Mark D. Compher,
William E. Kirk, James R. VanOstenbridge, David G. Estornell,
and Paul D. Walsh

Our Ref: 1481.0100004

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. USPTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form PTO/SB/05;
2. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

System, Method and Computer Program Product for Short-Range Weather Adapted, Business Forecasting

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and naming as inventors:

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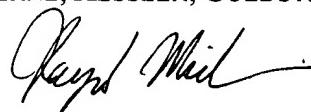
- a. specification containing:
 - i. 41 pages of description prior to the claims;
 - ii. 5 pages of claims (12 claims);
 - iii. a one (1) page abstract;
- b. Fifteen (15) sheets of drawings: (Figures 1-10 and 11A-H);
3. 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time (in duplicate); and
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This patent application is being submitted under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) without Declaration and without filing fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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